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5. T	A copy of the International Application	n as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))					
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9. x	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).						
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